

REMARKS

The Applicants thank the Examiner for allowing claims 1-6, 9-32, and 51 in the November 24, 2004 Notice of Allowance. The Examiner canceled in that action claim 8, from which allowed claims 9 and 12 depend. As a result, claims 9 and 12 improperly depend on a canceled claim.

The Applicants submit this paper solely to amend allowed claims 9 and 12 such that they now depend from allowed claim 1.

Respectfully submitted,



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